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Re: New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: DETERGENT COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING  
A SPECIFIC AMPHOTERIC STARCH, AND USES THEREOF  
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 60 pages, including title page and abstract, and including 6 independent claims and 44 claims total.
2. Information Data Sheet (2 pgs.)
3. Claim for Priority/Certified copy of French Patent Application No. 00 00411, filed January 13, 2000.
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| <b>Basic Application Filing Fee</b>                                  |                  |   |       |              |          | <b>\$ 710.00</b>   |
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| Total Claims   | 44               | - | 20    | 24           | X \$ 18  | \$ 432.00          |
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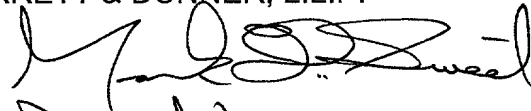
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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